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(2) VIETNAM

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The pattern of military activity in South Vietnam this week could presage stepped-up Communist efforts against South Vietnamese as opposed to allied forces. The over-all rate of Communist military and terrorist actions was up sharply, suggesting a new offensive phase.

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Le Thanh Nghi has returned from a three-month tour with new long-term grants and loans from the USSR, China, North Korea, and seven European Communist countries.

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(3) MOUNTING DISARRAY IN PEKING

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The pointless mass rally in Peking on 18 October suggests that opposing factions are deadlocked in a power struggle which may now be approaching a new and more critical stage.

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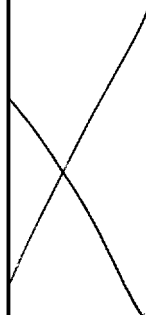
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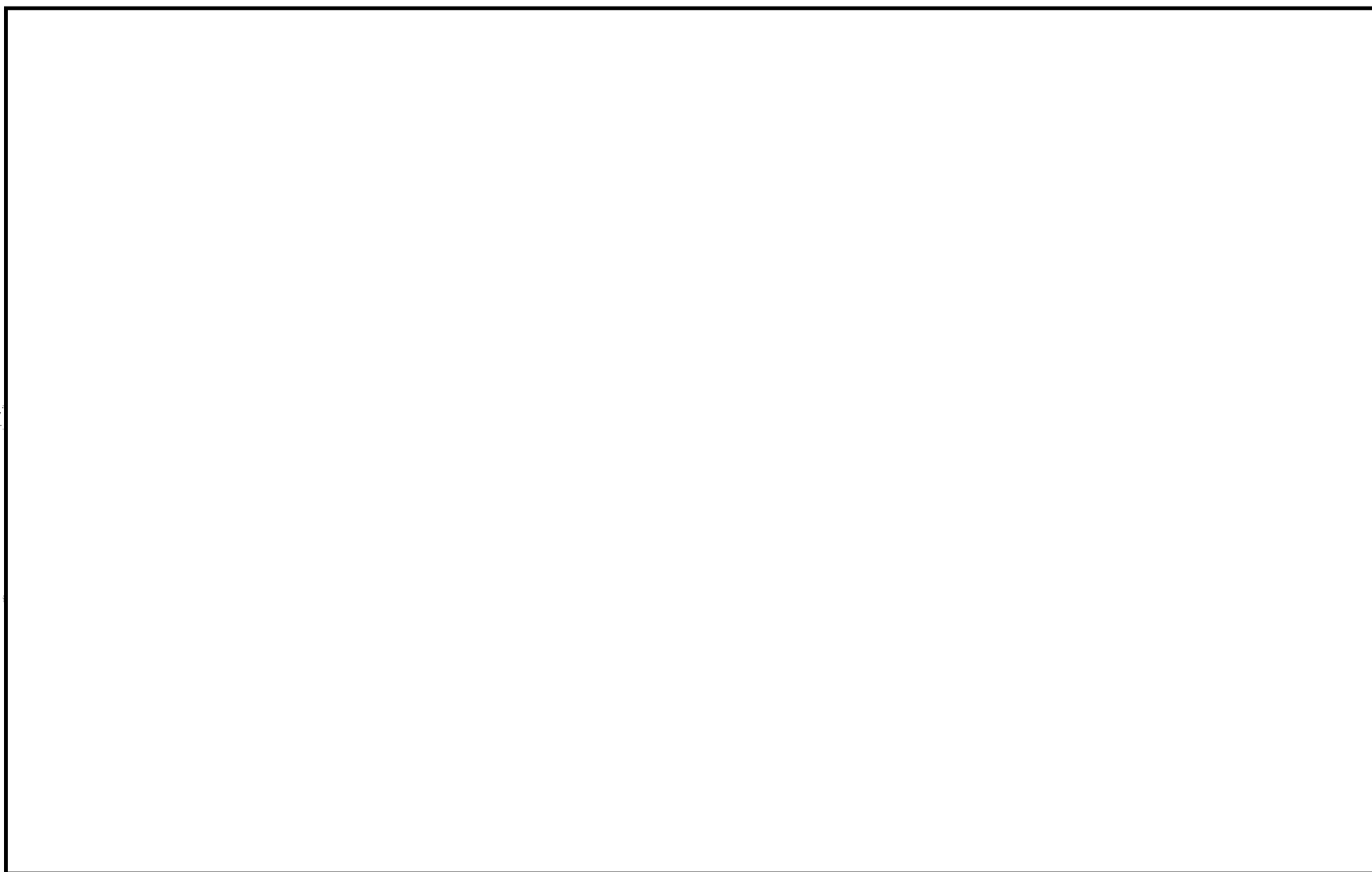


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(1) MOSCOW ACHIEVES SHOW OF SOLIDARITY AGAINST CHINA

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The gathering of top East European, Cuban, and Mongolian Communists this week in the USSR is a tactical victory for Moscow in its offensive against China.



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